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FOR: SELF-CONTAINED CASSETTE MATERIAL CUTTER AND METHOD
OF CUTTING

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Please direct any questions to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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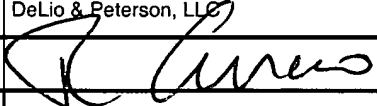
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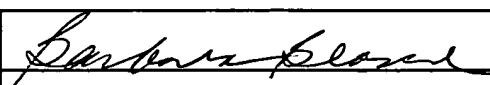
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